Print the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

No.

(CENSOR'S STAMP)

To Mr. & Mrs. Sam Bank
Miss Lottie Bank,
Army Store,
Tuscaloosa, Ala., U.S.A.

From
Sgt. H.L. Bank, 20416637
(Sender's name)
Co H 167th Inf APO 31 SFPO
(Sender's address)
S.F., Calif.

12 Oct 44
(Date)

Dearest Mother, Daddy, and Lottie:

Well, yesterday and today I hit the jackpot and got 14 letters and 3 papers. The latest letter was 21 Sept and the latest paper was July/44. If you see anything in the paper, like you mentioned, about Gen. Persons in this operation, please send it to me, also the ones you mentioned about the invasion of this island. You hit it on the head ! Lottie, if you are going to work in the store and get paid for it, why don't you work 6 days a week, and not take off for Atlanta and Montgomery every other week? You are taking advantage of Daddy by travelling around on his money. I think that is a dirty thing to do. I got a letter from a Mrs. Hallman from Seables that her brother got killed. I know where he got killed and buried, but can't say anything about it at this time. I will tell you about it later. Tell her I will try and find out some of the circumstances, as soon as I can get down to his old outfit and find out.

It is hot as the devil now, and we have to keep our shirts on all day long, and that is rough. We are really used to the heat now, and I'll bet you would die here now, until you get used to it. It is cool at night, and a blanket sure does feel wanderful. We didn't have an airraid the past 2 nights, but I was ready for it anyway. You ought to see me hit the fox hole with my gun and steel-helmet and only undershorts on, as soon as the alarm goes on. I do itin one jump. The Japs very seldom do any damage, and always get shot down. Send me some canned food, but if you haven't any stamps, don's send it. I have asked for a lot of different things, not food, and they don't take stamps, yet you don't sent them. Why? Please send me every article about this Division and invasion, as it takes over 3 months to get the papers here. Right? Sure was sorry to see where the Postman's son, Kissiah, and Capt. Leon Huthenance got killed. Too Bad ! Why did Mother give you so much money in her Will? Please register my Power of Attorney immediately. Hear? I increased my allotment to the Bank to $50.00 a month, as I received the Combat Infantry Badge on the 26th of September, which pays me $10.00 more a month. Mazaltoff !

That is about all for now, so be good, and write soon.

Love,

Harold

V-MAIL